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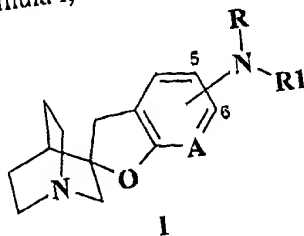
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INFORMAL SUBMISSION

Dear Examiner Wright:

I have discussed your concerns with the inventors of this application and Claim 1 amended with proviso indicated below would be acceptable.

1.(Amended) A compound of formula I,



wherein

NRR₁ is attached at the 5- or 6-position of the furopyridine ring;

R is hydrogen, C₁-C₄ alkyl, or COR₂;

R₁ is (CH₂)_nAr, CH₂CH=CHAr, or CH₂C≡CAr;

n is 0 to 3;

A is N or NO;

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Ar is a 5- or 6-membered aromatic or heteroaromatic ring which contains zero to four nitrogen atoms, zero to one oxygen atoms, and zero to one sulfur atoms; or:

an 8-, 9- or 10-membered fused aromatic or heteroaromatic ring system containing zero to four nitrogen atoms, zero to one oxygen atoms, and zero to one sulfur atoms; any of which may optionally be substituted with one to two substituents independently selected from: halogen, trifluoromethyl, or C₁-C₄ alkyl;

R₂ is hydrogen, C₁-C₄ alkyl; C₁-C₄ alkoxy; or phenyl ring optionally substituted with one to three of the following substituents: halogen, C₁-C₄ alkyl, C₂-C₄ alkenyl, C₂-C₄ alkynyl, OH, OC₁-C₄ alkyl, CO₂R₅, -CN, -NO₂, -NR₃R₄, or -CF₃;

R₃, R₄ and R₅ are independently hydrogen; C₁-C₄ alkyl; or phenyl ring optionally substituted with one to three of the following substituents: halogen, C₁-C₄ alkyl, C₂-C₄ alkenyl, C₂-C₄ alkynyl, OH, OC₁-C₄ alkyl, -CN; -NO₂, or -CF₃;

with the proviso that when R is hydrogen, R¹ is not phenyl or CH₂-phenyl;
or an enantiomer thereof, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

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